# Wiltshire Pension Fund

The Fund is administered by Wiltshire Council for local authorities within Wiltshire and other local government associated organisations. It meets the cost of pension benefits due to current and former employees of these organisations. The current membership as at 31 March 2014 included 21,655 active members, 13,729 pensioners and 22,262 deferred members.

#### Responsibility for the Report

#### Wiltshire Council

The Council has to arrange for the proper administration of the Wiltshire Pension Fund. In particular, it needs to ensure an economic, efficient and effective use of resources in carrying out this administration and that the Fund's investments are safeguarded.

The Council has delegated this responsibility to the Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee. It also, however, has to ensure that one of its officers has responsibility for the financial aspects of that administration, this being the Associate Director Finance.

#### **Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee**

There are seven elected members of the Committee, comprising five Wiltshire Councillors and two Swindon Borough Council members. In addition, there are two representatives of the admitted bodies and two observers representing staff interests. Details of the membership of the Committee in 2013/2014 are shown in the Wiltshire Pension Fund Annual Report.

Included amongst the powers delegated by the Council to the Committee are requirements to:

- arrange and keep under review the investment of the Fund through one or more properly authorised investment managers, and to
- appoint investment managers and external advisers as necessary to support the work of the Committee.

#### **Chief Finance Officer**

The Chief Finance Officer is responsible for preparing the financial statements of the Wiltshire Pension Fund, which must show the financial position of the Fund at the accounting date and its income and expenditure for the year.

In preparing the statements, suitable accounting policies must be selected and applied consistently and judgements and estimates made where necessary that are reasonable and prudent and comply with the appropriate accounting Code of Practice.

Proper accounting records must be maintained and kept up to date and all reasonable steps must be taken to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. An anti-fraud and corruption and whistle blowing policy have been implemented for the Fund.

#### **Actuarial Statement**

This statement has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 34(1) of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2008, and chapter 6 of the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the UK 2013/2014.



#### **Description of Funding Policy**

The funding policy is set out in the latest Wiltshire Council Funding Strategy Statement (FSS). In summary, the key funding principles are as follows:

- to ensure the long-term solvency of the Fund, using a prudent long term view. This will ensure
  that sufficient funds are available to meet all members' /dependents' benefits as they fall due
  for payment;
- to ensure that employer contribution rates are reasonably stable where appropriate;
- to minimise the long-term cash contributions which employers need to pay to the Fund, by recognising the link between assets and liabilities and adopting an investment strategy which balances risk and return (NB this will also minimise the costs to be bourne by Council Tax payers)
- to reflect the different characterisitics of different employers in determining contribution rates.
   This involves the Fund having a clear and transparent funding strategy to demonstrate how each employer can best meet its own liabilities over future years; and
- to use reasonable measures to reduce the risk to other employers and ultimately to the Council Tax payer from an employer defaulting on its pension obligations.

The FSS sets out how the administering Authority seeks to balance the conflicting aims of securing the solvency of the Fund and keeping employer contributions stable.

For employers whose covenant was considered by the Administering Authority to be sufficiently strong, contributions have been stabilised. Asset-liability modelling has been carried out which demonstrate that if these contribution rates are paid and future contribution changes are constrained as set out in the FSS, there is still a better than 2 in 3 chance that the Fund will return to full funding over 20 years.

#### Funding Position as at the last formal valuation

The most recent actuarial valuation carried out under Regulation 36 of the Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration) Regulations 2008 was as at 31 March 2013. This valuation revealed that the Fund's assets, which at 31 March 2013 were valued at £1,484 million, were sufficient to meet 71% of the liabilities (i.e. the present value of promised retirement benefits) accrued up to that date. The resulting deficit at the 2013 valuation was £610 million.

Individual employers' contributions for the period 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2017 were set in accordance with the Fund's funding policy as set out in its FSS.

# Principal Actuarial Assumptions and Methods used to value the liabilities

Full details of the methods and assumptions used are described in the actuary's report dated 31 March 2014.

#### Method

The liabilities were assessed using an accrued benefits method which takes into account pensionable membership up to the valuation date, and makes an allowance for expected future salary growth to retirement or expected earlier date of leaving pensionable membership.



## **Assumptions**

A market-related approach was taken to valuing the liabilities, for consistency with the valuation of the Fund assets at their market value.

The key financial assumptions adopted for the 2013 valuation were as follows:

Financial Assumptions	Rate at 31 March 2013	
•	Nominal	Real
Discount rate	4.6%	2.1%
Pay increase	4.3%	1.8%
Price Inflation/Pension increases	2.5%	0.0%

The key demographic assumption was the allowance made for longevity. The life expectancy assumptions are based on the Funds VitaCurves with improvements in line with the CMI\_2010 model, assuming the current rate of improvements has reached a peak and will converge to a long term rate of 1.25%p.a. Based on these assumptions, the average future life expectancies at age 65 are as follows:

	Males	Females
Current Pensioners	22.3 years	24.5 years
Future Pensioners*	24.1 years	26.9 years

<sup>\*</sup>Currently aged 45

Copies of the 2013 valuation report and Funding Strategy Statement are available on request from Wiltshire Council, the administering authority to the Fund.

#### Experience over the year since April 2013

Experience has been slightly better than expected since the last valuation (excluding the effect of any membership movements). Real bond yields have risen and assets returns have been broadly in line with that expected meaning that funding levels are likely to have improved since the 2013 valuation.

The next actuarial valuation will be carried out as at 31 March 2016. The Funding Strategy statement will also be reviewed at that time.

#### **Audit**

The Audit Commission has appointed KPMG to act as the external auditor of the Council, and therefore the pension fund.

# **Investment Management Policy**

Overall responsibility for investment policy lies with the Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee, which reports directly to Wiltshire Council.

The Investment Strategy is revised annually by the Fund. The latest Strategic review was undertaken during 2011, new mandates have been implemented resulting from this.

The current strategy has the dual aim of increasing returns and reducing risk by increasing diversification and alternative approaches. Details of the strategy are provided in the Fund's Statement of Investment Principles (SIP) – the Wiltshire Fund's SIP can be supplied upon request or viewed at www.wiltshirepensionfund.org.uk/investment-principles.



The full list of managers as at 31 March 2014 were:

Company	Mandate	Share of
		Fund
Baillie Gifford	Global Equity	15.0%
CBRE Global Multi Manager	Property	13.0%
Western Asset Management	Bonds	10.5%
Barings	Absolute Return Fund	10.0%
Legal & General	Passive UK Equity	12.5%
Legal & General	Global Equities	10.0%
Legal & General	Government Bonds	5.0%
Legal & General	Fundamental Equities	12.5%
Jubilee Advisors	Long-Short Equities	5.0%
Partners Group	Infrastructure	5.0%
M&G Investment Management	UK Companies Financing Fund	1.5%

During the year, the managers transacted purchases of £911.9 million (£1,325.6m 2012/13) and sales of £897.9 million (£1,293.4m 2012/13). The value of assets under management at 31 March 2014 was £1,631.4 million, broken down by managers as follows:

Legal & General	£723.9 million
Baillie Gifford	£255.9 million
Western Asset Management	£178.2 million
CBRE Global Multi Manager	£177.9 million
Barings Asset Management	£181.1 million
Edinburgh Partners	£0.0 million
Jubilee Advisors	£86.1 million
M&G Investment Management	£1 2.8 million
Berenberg Bank	£9.8 million
Partners Group	£5.6 million
Capital International	£0.1 million
Total	£1,631.4 million

			% of
		£ million	Fund total
Geographical analysis	United Kingdom	689.5	42.2
	North America	140.3	8.6
	Europe	59.8	3.7
	Asia, ex Japan	5.1	0.3
	Other - Overseas	55	3.4
	Other - Pooled Funds	681.7	41.8
		1,631.4	100.0
Sector analysis	Equities	1081.4	67.0
Sector analysis	Equities Fixed interest bonds	1081.4 164.3	67.0 10.1
Sector analysis	•		
Sector analysis	Fixed interest bonds	164.3	10.1
Sector analysis	Fixed interest bonds Cash & Derivatives	164.3 31.1	10.1 1.9
Sector analysis	Fixed interest bonds Cash & Derivatives Property	164.3 31.1 170.9	10.1 1.9 9.7
Sector analysis	Fixed interest bonds Cash & Derivatives Property Long-Short Hedge Fund	164.3 31.1 170.9 86.1	10.1 1.9 9.7 5.3

Safe custody of all investments are the responsibility of BNY Mellon and as such, are registered in the name of, and are held by, its nominee companies or, alternatively, by overseas agents.



# **The Wiltshire Pension Fund**

Fund Account For the year ended 31 March 2014	Notes	2013/2014	2012/2013
		£000	2000
Contributions and benefits Contributions receivable Individual transfers	5	79,128 2,902 <b>82,030</b>	77,083 4,551 <b>81,634</b>
Benefits payable Payments to and on account of leavers Administrative expenses	6 7 8	(76,669) (4,789) (1,509) (82,967)	(68,351) (4,156) (1,382) (73,889)
Net additions from dealings with members		(937)	7,745
Returns on investments Investment income Change in market value of investments Investment management expenses	9 11 12	18,377 136,981 (3,170)	24,774 120,124 (3,529)
Net returns on investments		152,188	141,369
Net Increase in the fund during the year		151,251	149,114
Opening Net Assets of the Fund		1,493,913	1,344,799
Closing net assets of the Fund		1,645,164	1,493,913



Net Asset Statement	Notes	31 March 2014	31 March 2013
At 31 March 2014			
		£000	£000
INVESTMENT ASSETS	11	2000	2000
Fixed interest securities		163,143	162,030
Index linked securities		933	2,435
Equities		267,461	236,695
Pooled investment vehicles		997,888	895,984
Property		170,936	149,468
Derivative assets		2,649	1,871
Cash held on deposit		26,042	29,809
Other investment balances		3,465	3,509
		1,632,517	1,481,801
INVESTMENT LIABILITIES	11		
Derivatives liabilities		(1,066)	(1,313)
Total net investments		1,631,451	1,480,488
Current assets	13	18,150	15,797
Current liabilities	14	(4,437)	(2,372)
Net assets of the Fund at 31 March		1,645,164	1,493,913

The accounts summarise the transactions of the Fund and deal with the net assets at the disposal of Wiltshire Council. They do not take account of obligations to pay pensions and benefits which fall due after the end of the Fund year. The actuarial position of the Fund, which does take account of such obligations, is dealt with in the actuarial statements and these accounts should be read in conjunction with these.

#### **Notes**

# Forming part of the financial accounts

# 1. Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2013/2014 which is based upon International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as amended for the UK public sector.

IAS26 requires the actuarial present value of promised benefits to be disclosed. A separate report has been prepared by Hymans Robertson and is enclosed below after note 19. The Chancellor's budget statement on 22 June 2010 declared that future pension increases should be linked to the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) rather than the Retail Prices Index (RPI). The report after note 19 has been prepared on the CPI basis.

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis except where otherwise stated, i.e. income and expenditure is accounted for as it is earned or incurred, rather than as it is received and paid.



# 2. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies of the Fund are as follows:

#### **Contributions**

Contributions are received from employer bodies in respect of their own and their pensionable employees' contributions. Employers' contributions (for both Normal and Deficit Funding) are prescribed in the Actuary's Rates and Adjustment Certificate following the review of the Fund's assets and liabilities during the triennial valuation. The Employees' contributions are included at the rates prescribed by the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations.

Employer augmentation contributions are accounted for in accordance with the agreement under which they are being paid.

#### **Benefits and Refund of Contributions**

The benefits payable and refunds of contributions have been brought into account on the basis of all valid claims approved during the year.

#### Transfers to and from Other Schemes

No account is taken of liabilities to pay pensions and other benefits after the year end. Transfer values, which are those sums paid to, or received from, other pension schemes relating to previous periods of employment, have been brought into account on a cash basis.

#### **Investment Income**

Dividends, interest and coupon receipts have been accounted for on an accruals basis. Income on pooled investments is accumulated and reflected in the valuation of units.

#### Valuation of Investments

Investments are shown in the accounts at market value, determined on the following basis:

#### (i) Quoted securities

Quoted Securities have been valued at 31 March 2014 by the Fund's custodian using the bid price where a quotation was available on a recognised stock exchange or unlisted securities market.

# (ii) Unquoted securities

Unquoted securities have been valued according to the latest trades, professional valuation, asset values or other appropriate financial information.

## (iii) Pooled investment vehicles

Pooled investments are stated at bid price for funds with bid/offer spreads, or single price/net asset value where there are no bid/offer spreads, as provided by the investment manager.

#### (iv) Fixed Interest Stocks

Fixed interest stocks are valued on a clean basis. Accrued income is accounted for within investment income.

# (v) **Derivative Contracts**

Derivatives are stated at market value. Exchange traded derivatives are stated at market values determined using quoted prices. For exchange traded derivative contracts which are assets, market value is based on quoted bid prices. For exchange traded derivative contracts which are liabilities, market value is based on quoted offer prices.

Over the Counter (OTC) derivatives are stated at market value using pricing models and relevant market data as at the year end date.



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Forward foreign exchange contracts are valued by determining the gain or loss that would arise from closing out the contract at the reporting date by entering into an equal and opposite contract at that date.

All gains and losses arising on derivative contracts are reported within 'Change in Market Value'.

Reported changes in the market value of investments over the year of account include realised gains or losses arising upon the disposal of investments during the year.

#### **Foreign Currency Translation**

All investments held in foreign currencies are shown at market value translated into sterling using the WM 4PM rate on 31 March 2014.

Foreign currency transactions are accounted for on the basis of the equivalent sterling value of the underlying transactions, by applying the relevant exchange rate ruling at the time. Where overseas securities are acquired with currency either previously purchased directly or accruing from the sale of securities, the sterling book cost of the new security will be based on the exchange rate ruling at the time of the purchase of that security. Any profit or loss arising on currency transactions either realised or unrealised, will be reflected in the Net Asset Statement.

# **Investment Management Expenses**

Investment management expenses are based on the quarter end market value of the investments held. The fees paid are determined by the agreed fee scales for each individual manager.

# **Acquisition Costs of Investments**

Transaction costs are charged as part of investment management expenses. These include costs charged directly to the fund such as fees, commissions, stamp duty and other fees.

#### **Administration Expenses**

A proportion of the relevant officers' salaries, salary on-costs and general overheads, have been charged to the Fund on the basis of time spent on Fund administration.

# **Taxation**

The Fund is a registered pension scheme for tax purposes and as such is not liable for UK income tax on investment income, nor capital gains tax. As Wiltshire Council is the administering authority, VAT input tax is recoverable on all expenditure.

Income earned from investments in stocks and securities in the USA is exempt from US tax and is not subject to withholding tax. Most tax deducted from income on European investments is also recoverable.

# **Additional Voluntary Contributions (AVCs)**

The accounts of the Fund in accordance with regulation 5 (2) (C) of the Pension Scheme (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 1998 do not include transactions in respect of AVCs. These are money purchase arrangements made by individual Fund members under the umbrella of the Local Government Pension Scheme, to enhance pension benefits.



# 3. Critical Judgement in Applying Accounting Policies

# **Pension Fund Liability**

The pension fund liability is calculated every three years by the appointed actuary, with annual updates in the intervening years. The methodology used is in line with accepted guidelines and in accordance with IAS19. Assumptions underpinning the valuations are agreed with the actuary and are summarised in the actuarial position statement (on page 89). This estimate is subject to significant variances based on changes to the underlying assumptions.

# 4. Assumptions made about the Future and Other Major Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The Statements of Accounts contains estimated figures that are based on assumptions made by the council about the future or that are otherwise uncertain. Estimates are made taking into account historical experience, current trends and other relevant factors. However, because balances cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could be materially different from the assumptions and estimates.

The items in the net asset statement at 31 March 2014 for which there is significant risk of material adjustment in the forthcoming financial year are as follows:

Item	Uncertainties	Effect if actual results differ from assumptions
Debtors	At 31 March 2014, the fund had a balance of £18.1m for debtors (£5.8m relate to a long term debtor). A review of significant balances suggested that no impairment is currently necessary. However, in the current economic climate, it is not certain that all debts will be paid.	If collection rates deteriorate it may be necessary for an allowance to be included in the accounts for doubtful debts.
Hedge Fund of Funds	The fund of funds is valued at the sum of the fair values provided by the administrators of the underlying funds plus adjustments that the fund of funds directors or independent administrators judge necessary. These investments are not publicly listed and as such there is a degree of estimation involved in the valuation.	The total hedge fund of funds value in the financial statements is £86.1m. There is a risk that this investment may be under or overstated in the accounts. Using the volatility data provided by the Fund's investment advisor the fund of funds valuation may be over/understated by £6.8m.



# 5. Contributions Receivable

	2013/2014	2012/2013
	£000	£000
Employer		
- Normal	46,466	46,169
- Augmentation	3,513	2,080
- Deficit Funding*	11,498	11,122
Members		
- Normal	17,404	17,448
- Additional Contributions	247	264
	79,128	77,083
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Analysis of contributions receivable		
	2013/2014	2012/2013
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Contributions from employees		
(Including Additional Contributions) - Wiltshire Council	7,396	7,610
- Other scheduled bodies	8,887	8,075
Admitted bodies	1,368	2,027
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	17,651	17,712
Contributions from employers		
(Including Augmentations)		
- Wiltshire Council	27,499	26,099
- Other scheduled bodies	27,841	25,481
- Admitted bodies	6,137	7,791
	61,477	59,371
Total contributions receivable	79,128	77,083

<sup>\*</sup> Deficit funding contributions are being paid by the employer for the three years commencing from 1 April 2011 with a minimum specified in the Rates and Adjustment certificate dated 25 March 2011 in order to improve the Fund's funding position. The recovery period at the last valuation over which the deficit funding is recovered is mainly 20 years for scheduled bodies and 14 years or the length of the employer's contract (whichever is the shorter) for admitted bodies.



# 6. Benefits payable

	2013/2014 £000	2012/2013 £000
Pensions Commutation and lump sum retirement benefits	59,388 16,023	55,875 11,549
Lump sum death benefits	1,258	927
	76,669	68,351
Analysis of benefits payable	2013/2014 £000	2012/2013 £000
Pensions payable	2000	2000
- Wiltshire Council	32,187	30,558
<ul><li>Other scheduled bodies</li><li>Admitted bodies</li></ul>	22,891 4,310	21,120 4,197
	59,388	55,875
Retirement and Death grants payable	0.440	4.047
- Wiltshire Council - Other scheduled bodies	8,146 7,719	4,847 5,241
- Admitted bodies	1,416	2,388
	17,281	12,476
Total benefits payable	76,669	68,351
7. Payments to and on account of leavers		
	2013/2014	2012/2013
	£000	£000
Individual transfer out to other schemes	4,775	4,154
Refunds to members leaving service State Scheme Premiums	13 1	6 (4)
	4,789	4,156
8. Administrative expenses		
	2013/2014 £000	2012/2013 £000
Administration and processing	1,165	1,057
Actuarial fees Audit fees	277 40	196 71
Legal and other professional fees	27	58
	1,509	1,382



# 9. Investment Income

	2013/2014	2012/2013
	£000	£000
Quoted securities		
- UK fixed interest bonds (coupon receipts)	7,759	8,061
- Overseas fixed interest bonds (coupon receipts)	369	40
- UK index linked bonds (coupon receipts)	13	16
- UK equities	421	370
- Overseas equities	1,938	4,791
Pooled Investment Vehicles		
- UK equities	0	0
- Overseas equities	94	2,713
- UK fixed interest corporate bonds	0	0
- Overseas fixed interest bonds	0	0
- UK property	7,655	8,615
- Infrastructure	35	39
Cash held on deposit		
- Sterling Cash	93	129
- Overseas Cash	0	0
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	18,377	24,774

# 10. Stock Lending

The Council participates in a securities lending programme administered by BNY Mellon. Securities in the beneficial ownership of the Council to a value of £27.7 million (1.7% of the total) were on loan at 31 March 2014. Collateral for these securities is held in a pooled form, the Wiltshire Pension Fund's share (0.14%) representing a value of £30.6 million (110.4%). Income earned from this programme amounted to £0.043 million in the year.

	2013/2014	2012/2013
	£ million	£ million
WPF Securities on loan	27.7	0.0
(percentage of total)	1.70%	0.00%
WPF Collateral share of pool	0.14%	0.00%
Value of WPF pooled share	30.6	0
Percentage of securities on loan	110.4%	0.0%
Income earned in year	0.043	0.056



#### Investments 11.

# Reconciliation of investments held at beginning and end of year

	Value at 01 April 2013	Purchases at cost & derivative payments	Sales Proceeds and derivative receipts	Change in Market Value	Value at 31 March 2014
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Fixed interest securities Index link ed securities Equities Pooled funds: - Other	162,030 2,435 236,695 895,984	42,762 5,922 280,879 184,123	(36,937) (7,471) (296,643) (146,934)	(4,712) 47 46,530 64,715	163,143 933 267,461 997,888
<ul><li>Property</li><li>Derivative assets</li><li>Futures</li><li>Options</li><li>Forward FX</li></ul>	149,468 (386) 0 944	35,921 347 0 64,808	(23,785) (703) 0 (91,298)	9,332 693 0 27,178	170,936 (49) 0 1,632
	1,447,170	614,762	(603,771)	143,783	1,601,944
Cash deposits Other Investment Balances	29,809 3,509	297,106 0	(294,086) (29)	(6,787) (15)	26,042 3,465
2 4.4.7.000	1,480,488	911,868	(897,886)	136,981	1,631,451
	Value at	Purchases	Sales	Change	Value at
	01 April 2012	at cost & derivative payments	Proceeds and derivative receipts		31 March 2013
	•	derivative	and	in Market	31 March
Fixed interest securities Index linked securities Equities Pooled funds:	<b>£000</b> 144,117 627 426,513	derivative payments £000 39,286 2,975 429,346	and derivative receipts £000 (34,478) (1,226) (621,460)	in Market Value £000 13,105 59 2,296	<b>2013 £000</b> 162,030 2,435 236,695
Index linked securities Equities Pooled funds: - Other - Property	<b>£000</b> 144,117 627	derivative payments £000 39,286 2,975	and derivative receipts £000 (34,478) (1,226)	in Market Value £000 13,105	<b>31 March 2013 £000</b> 162,030 2,435
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The PRAG guidance, Accounting for Derivatives in Pension Schemes, recommends that derivatives are set out separately in the investment reconciliation table for reasons of clarity and are reconciled on a 'net' basis as opposed to 'gross' as reported in the Net Assets Statement.

Transaction costs have been debited through the Fund Account and have been disclosed as part of the Investment Management Expenses. Costs are also borne by the Fund in relation to transactions in pooled investment vehicles. However, such costs are taken into account in calculating the bid/offer spread of these investments and are not therefore separately identifiable.

Details of investments held at year end



	31 March 2014 £000	31 March 2013 £000
INVESTMENT ASSETS		
Fixed Interest Securities		
- UK fixed interest Government bonds	7,131	14,897
- UK fixed interest Corporate bonds	146,856	146,901
- Overseas fixed interest Government bonds	5,026	0
- Overseas fixed interest Corporate bonds	2,378	232
- Emerging markets government bonds	1,752	0
	163,143	162,030
Index Linked Securities		
- UK index linked Corporate bonds	933	2,435
	933	2,435
Equities		
- UK equities	23,865	23,640
- Overseas equities	243,596	213,055
	267,461	236,695
Pooled Investment Vehicles		
- UK equities	226,922	219,821
- Overseas equities	586,997	518,961
- UK fixed interest Government bonds	0	0
- UK fixed interest Corporate bonds	0	0
- Overseas fixed interest Government bonds	169	177
- Overseas fixed interest Corporate bonds	950	978
- UK index linked Government bonds	91,085	76,875
- Property	170,936	149,468
- Long-Short Hedge Fund	86,138	75,364
- Infrastructure	5,627	3,808
Cash held on deposit	1,168,824	1,045,452
- Sterling Cash	25,427	25,591
- Overseas Cash	615	4,218
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Other Investment Balances	20,0-12	20,000
- Derivatives Assets	2,649	1,871
- Outstanding dividend entitlements	3,162	2,998
- Recoverable tax	303	511
	6,114	5,380
INVESTMENT LIABILITIES	ŕ	
- Derivatives Liabilities	(1,066)	(1,313)
Total of investments held	1,631,451	1,480,488
NET CURRENT ASSETS & LIABILITIES		
Current Assets	18,150	15,797
Current Liabilities	(4,437)	(2,372)
Total net current assets	13,713	13,425
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	1,645,164	1,493,913



#### **Derivative Contracts**

# **Objectives and Policies**

The Wiltshire Pension Fund committee have authorised the use of derivatives by their investment managers as part of the investment strategy for the Fund.

The main objective for the use of key classes of derivatives and the policies followed during the year are summarised as follows:

**Options** – The Fund allows two of its managers to invest in options as part of their portfolio construction to assist them in achieving performance targets. These options are limited to 'Over-the-Counter' contracts purchased on major exchanges and must not exceed specified limits. Option exposures are limited and hedged through the use of futures.

**Futures** – The Fund allows a number of its managers to invest in futures, within specified exposure limits, as part of their overall portfolio construction to assist them in achieving performance targets.

**Forward foreign exchange** – In order to maintain an appropriate diversification of investments within the Fund and take advantage of overseas investment returns a proportion of the investment portfolio is invested overseas. To balance the risk of investing in foreign currencies a dynamic currency hedging programme, using forward foreign contracts, is in place to reduce the currency exposure of the overseas investments. The overseas equity investments are hedged this way.

The Fund had the following derivative contracts outstanding at the year end relating to its fixed interest investment and dynamic currency mandate. The details are:

<u>FutureContracts</u> Nature	Nominal Amount	Duration	Economic Exposure	Asset value at year end	Liability value at year end
Fallson Oasits	£000		£000	£000	£000£
Fixed Income Security UKLong Glit	(68)	ExpiresJun 14	(7,448)		(49)
				0	(49)



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Forward	Cash	Currency	/ Contracts
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Forward Cash Currency Con				• • • •	1. 1.00
Contract	Settlement da	te Currency boug	ht Currency sold	Asset value at	Liability value
				£000	£000
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Australian Dollar		(113)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Brazil Real		(67)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Canadan Dollar	15	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Chilean Peso		(4)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Danish Krone	Sterling		(1)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Danish Krone	64	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Euro	Sterling		(85)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Euro	710	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Hong Kong Dollar	Sterling		(35)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Hong Kong Dollar	96	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Indian Rupee		(12)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Indonesian Rupiah		(2)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Israeli Shekel	5	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Japanese Yen	Sterling	440	(180)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Japanese Yen	442	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Malysian Ringgit		(1)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Mexican New Peso		(3)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	New Taiwan Dollar	7	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	New Turkish Lira		(7)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	NewZealand Dollar		(1)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Norwegian Krone	6	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Russian Ruble (new)		(45)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Singapore Dollar		(1)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	South African Comm Rand		(14)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	South Korean Won		(13)
Forward OTC Forward OTC	0 to 6 months 0 to 6 months	Swedsh Krona Sterling	Sterling Swedish Krona	<i>2</i> 70	(117)
		-			
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Swiss Franc	98	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	Thailand Baht	2	
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	US Dollar	Sterling		(316)
Forward OTC	0 to 6 months	Sterling	US Ddlar	934 <b>2,649</b>	(1,017)
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# **Financial Instruments**

# Classification of financial instruments

The accounting policies describe how different asset classes of financial instruments are measured, and how income and expenses, including fair value gains and losses are recognised. The following table analyses the carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities by category and net asset statement heading. No financial assets were reclassified during the accounting period.

As at 31 March 2014

76 (16) 11111 (17)	Designated as Fair value through Profit and Loss	Loans and Receivables	Financial liabilities at amortised cost
	£000	£000	£000
Financial assets			
Fixed interest securities	163,143	0	0
Index linked securities	933	0	0
Equities	254,703	12,758	0
Pooled investment vehicles	997,888	0	0
Property	170,936	0	0
Derivative assets	2,649	0	0
Cash held on deposit	0	31,448	0
Other Investment balances	3,465	0	0
Debtors	0	12,744	0
	1,593,717	56,950	0
Financial Liabilties			
Derivative Liabilities	(1,066)	0	0
Creditors	(1,066)	<u>(4,437)</u> (4,437)	0 0
	1,592,651	52,513	0



**Financial** 

Designated as Fair value through Profit and Loss	Loans and Receivables	liabilities at amortised cost
£000	£000	£000
162,030	0	0
2,435	0	0
225,346	11,349	0
895,984	0	0
149,468	0	0
1,871	0	0
0		0
	-	0
		0
1,440,643	56,955	
(1,313)	0	0
Ů,	(2,372)	0
(1,313)	(2,372)	0
1 /30 330	54 583	0
1,409,000	<del></del>	
nents		
2014 <b>£000</b>	2013 <b>£000</b>	
	value through Profit and Loss  £000  162,030	value through Profit and Loss         Loans and Receivables           £000         £000           162,030         0           2,435         0           225,346         11,349           895,984         0           149,468         0           1,871         0           0         33,226           3,509         0           0         12,380           56,955           (1,313)         0           (2,372)           (1,313)         (2,372)           (1,313)         54,583           Tents

136,981

(6,770)

(714)

129.497

Financial	Risk	Disclosure

Fair value through profit and loss

Fair value through profit and loss

Financial assets

Loans and receivable

Financial liabilities

Loans and receivable

Total

As an LGPS Pension Fund, the Fund's objective is to achieve a relatively stable "real" return above the rate of inflation over the long term. In order to achieve this objective the Fund holds financial instruments such as securities (equities, bonds), property, pooled funds (collective investment schemes) and cash and cash equivalents. The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks including Market Risk, Credit Risk and Liquidity Risk.

120,874

(1,744)

120,124

994

All the Fund's investments are managed by appointed Investment Managers. All investments are held by BNY Mellon who acts as custodian on behalf of the Fund. Each investment manager is required to invest the assets managed by them in accordance with the terms of a written investment mandate or pooled fund prospectus.



The Wiltshire Pension Fund Committee has determined that these managers are appropriate for the Fund and is in accordance with its investment strategy. The Committee obtains regular reports from each investment manager and its Investment Consultant on the nature of investments made and associated risks.

The analysis below is designed to meet the disclosure requirements of IFRS 7.

#### a) Market Risk

Market risk represents the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. This could be as a result of changes in market price, interest rates or currencies. The objective of the Funds Investment strategy is to manage and control market risk exposure within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

In general excessive volatility in market risk is managed through diversification across asset class and investment manager. Each manager is also expected to maintain a diversified portfolio within their allocation.

# 1) Market Price Risk

Market price risk represents the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or foreign exchange risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting the market in general.

By diversifying investments across asset classes and managers, the Fund aims to reduce the exposure to price risk. Diversification of asset classes seeks to reduce correlation of price movements, whilst the appointment of specialist managers enables the Fund to gain from their investment expertise.

## **Market Price - Sensitivity Analysis**

The sensitivity of the Fund's investments to changes in market prices have been analysed using the volatility of returns experienced by asset classes. The volatility data has been provided by the Fund's Investment Advisor (Mercers) and is broadly consistent with a one-standard deviation movement. The volatility is measured by the (annualised) estimated standard deviation of the returns of the assets relative to the liability returns. Such a measure is appropriate for measuring "typical" variations in the relative values of the assets and liabilities over short time periods. It is not appropriate for assessing longer term strategic issues. The analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular, interest rates and foreign exchange rates, remain constant.

Movements in market prices would have increased or decreased the net assets valued at 31 March 2014 and 2013 by the amounts shown below.

As at 31 March 2014	Value £000	Volatility of return	Increase £000	Decrease £000
Baillie Gifford - Global Equity	255,917	17.30%	44,274	(44,274)
CBRE - Property	177,857	15.10%	26,856	(26,856)
Western Asset Management - Corporate Bonds	178,243	4.00%	7,130	(7,130)
Legal & General - Equity	226,922	17.00%	38,577	(38,577)
Legal & General - Gilts	91,085	8.10%	7,378	(7,378)
Legal & General - Global Equity	179,435	17.30%	31,042	(31,042)
Legal & General - Fundamentals	226,424	17.30%	39,171	(39,171)
Jubilee Advisors - Long/Short Hedge Funds	86,138	7.90%	6,805	(6,805)
Barings - Dynamic Assets Allocation	181,139	12.10%	21,918	(21,918)
Partners Group - Infrastructure	5,626	15.20%	855	(855)
M&G - Financing Fund	12,758	0.00%	0	0
Berenberg Bank - Dynamic Currency Fund	9,838	0.00%	0	0
Capital International - Global Equity	46	0.00%	0	0
Capital International - Absolute Income Grower	23	0.00%	0	0
	1,631,451	-	224,006	(224,006)



As at 31 March 2013	Value £000	Volatility of return	Increase £000	Decrease £000
Baillie Gifford - Global Equity	227,940	17.00%	38,750	(38,750)
CBRE - Property	162,841	10.80%	17,587	(17,587)
Western Asset Management - Corporate Bonds	173,712	6.70%	11,639	(11,639)
Legal & General - Equity	219,821	16.60%	36,490	(36,490)
Legal & General - Gilts	76,875	11.00%	8,456	(8,456)
Legal & General - Global Equity	164,554	17.00%	27,974	(27,974)
Legal & General - Fundamentals	84,958	17.00%	14,443	(14,443)
Edinburgh Partners - Global Equity	120,759	17.00%	20,529	(20,529)
Jubilee Advisors - Long/Short Hedge Funds	75,365	10.90%	8,215	(8,215)
Barings - Dynamic Assets Allocation	150,774	12.00%	18,093	(18,093)
Partners Group - Infrastructure	3,811	30.00%	1,143	(1,143)
M&G - Financing Fund	11,349	0.00%	0	0
Berenberg Bank - Dynamic Currency Fund	7,482	0.00%	0	0
Capital International - Global Equity	135	0.00%	0	0
Capital International - Absolute Income Grower	112	0.00%	0	0
-	1,480,488	•	203,319	(203,319)

# 2) Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Fund's exposure to interest rate movements from its investments in cash & cash equivalents, fixed interest and loans at 31 March 2014 and 2013 are provided below.

	31 March 2014
	£000
Cash held on deposit	26,042
Fixed Interest Securities	163,143
Loans	12,758
	201,943
	31 March 2013
	£000
Cash held on deposit	29,809
Fixed Interest Securities	162,030
Loans	11,349
	203,188
	203,100

# Interest Rate - Sensitivity Analysis

The Pension Fund recognises that interest rates vary and can impact on the fair value of the assets. The sensitivity of the Fund's investments to changes in interest rates has been analysed by showing the affect of a 100 basis point (1%) change in interest rates. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant.

	Value	Change in n	et assets
As at 31 March 2014	£000	£000	£000
		+100 BP	-100 BP
Cash held on deposit	26,042	260	(260)
Fixed Interest Securities	163,143	(13,084)	13,084
Loans	12,758	0	0
	201,943	(12,824)	12,824



	Value	Change in n	et assets
As at 31 March 2013	£000	£000	£000
		+100 BP	-100 BP
Cash held on deposit	29,809	298	(298)
Fixed Interest Securities	162,030	(13,108)	13,108
Loans	11,349	0	0
	203,188	(12,810)	12,810

A 1% increase in interest rates will reduce the fair value of the relevant net assets and vice versa. The loans identified are part of the M&G Financing Fund. Borrowers pay a fixed annual interest rate agreed at the outset.

## 3) Currency Risk

Currency risk represents the risk that the fair value of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Fund is exposed to currency risk on financial instruments that are denominated in a currency other than sterling. When sterling depreciates the sterling value of foreign currency denominated investments will rise and when sterling appreciates the sterling value of foreign currency denominated investments will fall.

Currently Wiltshire Pension Fund has a dynamic hedging arrangement in place. This reduces the volatility of returns over the long term.

The tables below show approximate exposures to each of the three major foreign currencies based on manager benchmarks and target allocations. This is based on the two global equity managers Baillie Gifford and Legal & General.

2014	US Dollar	Euro	Yen
Benchmark Weights	17.85%	7.40%	3.17%
Net Currency Exposure	£'000	£'000	£'000
	291,676	120,887	51,842
2013	US Dollar	Euro	Yen
Benchmark Weights	18.00%	6.60%	3.20%
Net Currency Exposure	£'000	£'000	£'000
	266,904	97,108	47,408

# **Currency Risk - Sensitivity Analysis**

The sensitivity of the Fund's investments to changes in foreign currency rates have been analysed using a 10% movement in exchange rates in either direction. This analysis assumes that all variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant.

A 10% strengthening or weakening of Sterling against the various currencies at 31 March 2014 and 31 March 2013 would have increased or decreased the net assets by the amount shown below.



2014	Assets Held	Change in net assets		
	at Fair Value	+10%	-10%	
	£000	£000	£000	
US Dollar	291,676	29,168	(29,168)	
Euro	120,887	12,089	(12,089)	
Yen	51,842	5,184	(5,184)	
Net Currency Exposure	464,405	46,441	(46,441)	

2013	Assets Held	Change ir	net assets
	at Fair Value	+10%	-10%
	£000	£000	£000
US Dollar	266,904	26,690	(26,690)
Euro	97,108	9,711	(9,711)
Yen	47,408	4,741	(4,741)
Net Currency Exposure	411,420	41,142	(41,142)

As the Fund has a dynamic hedging arrangement in place only a proportion of the gains/losses would be experienced. One important point to note is that currency movements are not independent of each other. If sterling strengthened generally it may rise against all the above currencies producing losses across all the currencies.

#### b) Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the risk that the counterparty to the financial instrument will fail to meet their obligations and the Fund will incur a financial loss.

The Fund is exposed to credit risk through its investment managers, custodian and its daily treasury management activities. Credit risk is minimised through the careful selection and monitoring of counterparties.

A securities lending programme is run by the Fund's custodian, BNY Mellon, who manage and monitor the counterparty risk, collateral risk and the overall lending programme. The minimum level of collateral for securities on loan is 102%, however more collateral may be required depending upon the type of transaction. This level is assessed daily to ensure it takes account of market movements. The current collateral Wiltshire Pension Fund accepts is AAA rated supranational debt, AA rated debt and FTSE 350 Equity DBV. Securities lending is capped by investment regulations and statutory limits are in place to ensure that no more than 35% of eligible assets can be on loan at any one time.

Forward currency contracts are entered into by the Fund's currency overlay manager – Berenberg. These contracts are subject to credit risk in relation to the counterparties of the contracts which are primarily banks. The responsibility for these contracts rests with Berenberg. Prior to appointment full due diligence was undertaken, they are regulated by BaFin (the German equivalent of FCA) and meet the requirements set out in the LGPS (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2009.

Another source of credit risk is the cash balances held internally or by managers. The Pension Fund's bank account is held at HSBC, which holds an AA- long term credit rating and it maintains its status as a well capitalised and strong financial institution. The management of the cash held in this account is managed by the Council's Treasury Management Team in line with the Fund's Treasury Management Strategy which sets out the permitted counterparties and limits. Cash held by investment managers is invested with the custodian in a diversified money market fund rated AAAm.

The Fund's exposure to credit risk at 31 March 2014 and 2013 is the carrying amount of the financial assets.



	£000
Fixed interest securities	163,143
Index linked securities	933
Derivative assets	1,583
Cash held on deposit	26,042
Other investment balances	3,465
Current assets	18,150
	213,316

#### 2013

	£000
Fixed interest securities	162,030
Index linked securities	2,435
Derivative assets	558
Cash held on deposit	29,809
Other investment balances	3,509
Current assets	15,797
	214,138

# c) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk represents the risk that the Fund will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The main liabilities of the Fund relate to the benefits payable which fall due over a long period of time. The investment strategy reflects this and set out the strategic asset allocation of the Fund. Liquidity risk is mitigated by investing a proportion of the Fund in actively traded instruments in particular equities and fixed income investments. The Fund maintains a cash balance to meet operational requirements.

The following tables analyses the Fund's financial liabilities as at 31 March 2014 and 2013, grouped into relevant maturity dates.

2014	Carrying Amount £000	Less than 12 months £000	Greater than 12 months £000
Accounts Payable	93	93	0
Benefits Payable	1,348	1,348	0
Sundry Creditors	2,996	2,996	0
	4,437	4,437	0

2013	Carrying Amount £000	Less than 12 months £000	Greater than 12 months £000
Accounts Payable	26	26	0
Benefits Payable	819	819	0
Sundry Creditors	1,527	1,527	0
	2,372	2,372	0

#### **Fair Value Hierarchy**

The Fund measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

• Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in an active market for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access at the measurement date.



- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices under Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability used to measure fair value that rely on the Funds own assumptions concerning the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The tables below analyse financial instruments, measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period 31 March 2014 and 31 March 2013, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised. This has been produced from analysis provided by our custodian BNY Mellon.

2014	£000 Level 1	£000 Level 2	£000 Level 3	£000 Total
Fixed Interest Securities	2,359	160,784		163,143
Index Linked Securities		933		933
Equities	254,112		13,349	267,461
Pooled Funds:				0
- Other		992,261	5,627	997,888
- Property		138,154	32,782	170,936
Derivative assets				0
- Futures	(49)			-49
- Options				0
- Forward FX	1,632			1,632
	258,054	1,292,132	51,758	1,601,944
Cash Deposits	26,038	4		26,042
Other Investment balances	3,465			3,465
	287,557	1,292,136	51,758	1,631,451

2013	£000 Level 1	£000 Level 2	£000 Level 3	£000 Total
Fixed Interest Securities	679	161,351		162,030
Index Linked Securities		2,435		2,435
Equities	223,788		12,907	236,695
Pooled Funds:				0
- Other		892,176	5,585	897,761
- Property		132,508	15,183	147,691
Derivative assets				0
- Futures	(386)			-386
- Options				0
- Forward FX	944			944
	225,025	1,188,470	33,675	1,447,170
Cash Deposits	29,805	4		29,809
Other Investment balances	3,509			3,509
	258,339	1,188,474	33,675	1,480,488

During 2013/14 there were no transfers between level 1 and 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following tables present the movement in level 3 instruments for the year end 31 March 2014 and 31 March 13.



<b>2014</b> Opening balance	<b>£000</b> 33,675
Total gains/losses	16,668
Purchases	3,614
Sales	-2,199
Transfer out of Level 3	0
Closing balance	51,758

2013 Opening balance	<b>£000</b> 11,582
Total gains/losses	12,911
Purchases	12,771
Sales	-3,589
Transfer out of Level 3	0
Closing balance	33,675

# 12 Investment management expenses

	2013/2014 £000	2012/2013 £000
Administration, management and custody Transaction Costs Performance measurement services	2,852 277 41	3,200 289 40
	3,170	3,529

# 13 Current assets

	31 March 2014	31 March 2013
	£000	£000
Contributions due from other authorities and bodies		
- Employees	1,362	767
- Employers	4,072	2,501
Income due from external managers and custodians	0	0
Debtors (Magistrates)	5,790	6,755
Other	1,520	2,357
Cash balances	5,406	3,417
	18,150	15,797
Less:		·
Long term debtors (Magistrates)	5,790	6,755
Net Current Asset's	12,360	9,042



Contributions due at the year end have been paid to the Fund subsequent to the year end in accordance with the Rates & Adjustment certificate.

#### 14 Current Liabilities

	31 March 2014 £000	31 March 2013 £000
Managers / Custody fees HMRC Other	943 661 2,833	764 607 1,001
	4,437	2,372

# 15. Additional Voluntary Contributions (AVCs)

Fund members paid contributions totalling £0.433 million (£0.371 million in 2012/13) into their AVC funds during the year. At the year end, the value of funds invested on behalf of Fund members totalled £3.293 million (£3.152 million in 2012/13), made up as follows:

	£ million
Equitable Life As surance Society	
- With Profits Fund	0.849
- Unit Linked Managed Fund	0.271
- Building Society Fund	0.037
Clerical Medical Funds	
- With Profits Fund	0.217
- Unit Linked Managed Fund	0.986
NPI Funds	
- Managed Fund	0.030
- With Profits Fund	0.108
- Global Care Unit Linked Fund	0.051
- Cash Deposit Fund	0.032
Prudential	
- With Profits Cash Accumulation Fund	0.267
- Deposit Fund	0.121
- Diversified Growth Fund	0.097
- Equity Passive	0.002
- Long Term Growth Fund	0.093
- Pre-Retirement Fund	0.077
- Property Fund	0.055
• •	3.293

As mentioned earlier, AVC investments are not included in the Fund's financial statements.

#### 16. Employer Related Assets

There are no employer related assets within the Fund.

# 17. Related Party Transactions

The Wiltshire Pension Fund is administered by Wiltshire Council. Consequently there is a strong relationship between the council and the pension fund.

The council incurred costs of £1.076m (2012/13: £0.975m) in relation to the administration of the fund and was subsequently reimbursed by the fund for these expenses. The council is also the single largest employer of members of the pension fund and contributed £26m to the fund in 2013/14 (2011/12: £25m). A balance of £1.2m was owing to the Pension Fund by the Council at year end.



Part of the pension fund cash holdings are invested on the money markets by the treasury management operations of Wiltshire Council, through a service level agreement. During the year to 31 March 2014, the fund had a average investment balance of £3.4m (31 March 2013: £2.8m), earning interest of £18k (2012/13: £22k) in these funds.

#### Governance

There are two members of the pension fund committee L Croft and T Jackson that are active members of the pension fund. These individuals are the employer bodies' representatives.

#### 18. Guaranteed Minimum Pension

The Fund continues to make progress on updating the details of Guaranteed Minimum Pensions (GMP) that were not previously shown on member's records.

GMP elements of member's LGPS pension are not increased by the Fund for Pre 1988 GMP (in respect of the period 06/04/1978 to 05/04/1988) but for Post 1988 (in respect of the period 06/04/1988 to 05/04/1997) it is increased by a maximum of 3%. The Government increase the State Pension for the member fully on the Pre 1988 GMP element and for Post 1988 GMP element it is only increased if CPI is above 3%.

The effect of LGPS pensions not showing the correct amount of GMP for its members would mean that their pension would be increased by more than it should be.

Although these overpayments are costs to the Fund they have been included as expenditure in previous pension fund accounts, therefore no restatement is necessary.

#### 19. Contingent Liabilities and Contractual Commitments

Outstanding capital commitments (investments) at 31 March 2014 totalled Euro 42.725m (31 March 2013: 45,266m).

These commitments relate to outstanding call payments due on unquoted limited partnership funds held in the infrastructure part of the portfolio. The amounts 'called' are irregular in both size and timing from the original commitment.



#### Actuarial Statement in respect of IAS26 as at 31.03.2014

# Introduction

CIPFA's Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting 2013/14 requires administering authorities of LGPS funds that prepare pension fund accounts to disclose what IAS26 refers to as the actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits.

The actuarial present value of promised retirement benefits is to be calculated similarly to the defined obligation under IAS19. There are three options for its disclosure in pension fund account:

- Showing the figure in the Net Assets Statement, in which case it requires the statement to disclose the resulting surplus or deficit;
- · As a note to the accounts; or
- By reference to this information in an accompanying actuarial report.

If an actuarial valuation has not been prepared at the date of the financial statements, IAS26 requires the most recent valuation to be used as a base and the date of the valuation disclosed. The valuation should be carried out using assumptions in line with IAS19 and not the Pension Fund's funding assumptions.

I have been instructed by the Administering Authority to provide the necessary information for the Wiltshire Council Pension Fund, which is in the remainder of this note.

#### **Balance sheet**

Year ended	31 Mar 2014	31 Mar 2013
	£m	£m
Present Value of Promised Retirement Benefits	2,452	2,285

Liabilities have been projected using a roll forward approximation from the latest formal funding valuation as at 31 March 2013. I estimate this liability at 31 March 2014 comprises £986m in respect of employee members, £523m in respect of deferred pensioners and £944m in respect of pensioners. The approximation involved in the roll forward model means that the split of scheme liabilities between the three classes of member may not be reliable. However, I am satisfied the aggregate liability is a reasonable estimate of the actuarial present value of the benefit promises. I have not made any allowance for unfunded benefits.

The above figures include both vested and non-vested benefits, although the latter is assumed to have a negligible value.

It should be noted the above figures are appropriate for the Administering Authority only for preparation of the accounts of the Pension Fund. They should not be used for any other purpose (i.e. comparing against liability measures on a funding basis or a cessation basis).

#### **Assumptions**

The assumptions used are those adopted for the Administering Authority's IAS19 report as required by the Code of Practice. These are given below. I estimate that the impact of the change of assumptions to 31 March 2014 is to increase the actuarial present value by £109m.

#### **Financial assumptions**

My recommended financial assumptions are summarised below:

Year ended	31 Mar 2014	31 Mar 2013
	% p.a.	% p.a.
Inflation/Pension Increase Rate	2.8%	2.8%
Salary Increase Rate*	4.6%	5.1%*
Discount Rate	4.3%	4.5%



\*Salary increases are 1% p.a. nominal until 31 March 2015 reverting to the long term thereafter

# Longevity assumption

As discussed in the accompanying report, life expectancy is based on the Fund's VitaCurves with improvements in line with the CMI\_2010 model, assuming the current rate of improvements has reached a peak and will converge to a long term rate of 1.25% p.a. Based on these assumptions, the average future life expectancies at age 65 are summarised below:

	Males	Females
Current Pensioners	22.3 years	24.5 years
Future Pensioners*	24.1 years	26.9 years

<sup>\*</sup>Future pensioners are assumed to be currently aged 45

Please note that the assumptions have changed since the previous IAS26 disclosure for the Fund.

# Commutation

An allowance is included for future retirements to elect to take 50% of the maximum additional tax-free cash up to HMRC limits for pre-April 2008 service and 75% of the maximum tax-free cash for post-April 2008 service.

#### **Professional notes**

This paper accompanies my covering report titled 'Actuarial Valuation as at 31 March 2014 for IAS19 purposes' dated 22 April 2014. The covering report identifies the appropriate reliances and limitations for the use of the figures in this paper, together with further details regarding the professional requirements and assumptions.

Catherine McFadyen FFA 16 May 2014 For and on behalf of Hymans Robertson LLP



#### **Schedule of Employer Bodies**

#### Scheduled/Resolution bodies

Wiltshire Council Swindon Borough Council Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authority Wiltshire Police Authority Wiltshire Probation Service Alderbury Parish Council Amesbury Parish Council Blunsdon St Andrews Parish Council

Bradford-on-Avon Town Council
Calne Town Council
Chippenham Town Council
Corsham Town Council
Cricklade Town Council
Devizes Town Council
Haydon Wick Parish Council
Highworth Town Council
Malmesbury Town Council
Marlborough Town Council
Melksham Town Council
Melksham Town Council

Mere Parish Council Purton Parish Council

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council Salisbury City Council Steeple Achton Parish Council

Steeple Ashton Parish Council Stratton St Margaret Parish Council Trowbridge Town Council

Warborough Town Council
Warminster Town Council
Westbury Town Council
Wilton Town Council
Wilton Town Council
Wroughton Parish Council
Bishop Wordsworth Academy
Bybrook Valley Academy
Churchfield Academy
Colebrook Infants Academy
Commonweal Academy

Corsham Secondary Academy Dauntseys Academy Devizes Academy

Corsham Primary Academy

Devices Academy
Diocese of Bristol Academy Trust
Diocese of Salisbury Academy
Trust
Dorcan Technology Academy
Eastrop Infants Academy
Education Fellowship
Excalibur Academy
Goddards Park Academy
Gorse Hill Academy
Hardenhuish School Ltd
Hazelwood Academy

Highworth Warneford Academy

Holy Family Academy
Holy Rood Infants Academy
Holy Rood Junior Academy
Holy Trinity Calne Academy
Holy Trinity Devizes Academy
John Bentley Academy
John of Gaunt Academy
King William Academy
Kingdown Academy
Kingsdown Academy
Lavington Academy
Lethbridge Academy
Lydiard Academy
Malmesbury Academy
Malmesbury Primary Academy
Malmesbury Primary Academy

The Manor Academy
The Mead Primary Academy
Millbrook Academy
Morgan Vale Academy

New College

Oasis Community Learning Peatmoor Primary Academy Pewsey Vale Academy Ridgeway Academy Rowde Academy

Royal Wootton Bassett School

Sarum Academy Sevenfields Academy Shaw Ridge Academy Sheldon Academy

South Wilts Grammar School Southfield Junior Academy Springfields Academy St Augustine's School St Catherine's Academy St Edmund's Calne Academy St Edmund's Calne Academy St Edmunds Girls Academy Salisbury St Joseph's Academy Devizes St Joseph's Academy Swindon St Laurence Academy St Leonard's Academy

St Mary's Swindon Academy Swindon College United Learning Trust Wansdyke Academy Wellington Academy Westlea Academy White Horse Academies Wiltshire College Woodford Valley Academy

#### Admitted bodies

4 Children ABM Catering Ltd Action for Blind People

Agincare Aster Communities Aster Group Aster Living

Aster Property Management

Atkins Ltd Balfour Beatty Barnardos

Capita Business Services Ltd Care & Support Swindon (SEQOL)

Caterlink CIPFA

Collaborative Schools Community First

Crime Reduction Initiatives

DC Leisure Direct Cleaning Elior UK Enara

FCC Environment Great Western Hospitals Greenwich Leisure Ltd

Host Innovate Services Leonard Cheshire Lifeways

Mainline Contract Services

Mears Care Ltd Nuffield Health Plains Partnership

The Order Of St John Care Trust Oxford Health NHS Trust Salisbury and South Wilts Museum

Selwood Housing Seren Group Somerset Care Ltd

Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust Swindon Commercial Services

Swindon Commercial Ser Swindon Dance

Westlea Housing Association

Wiltshire and Swindon Sports Partnership

Wiltshire CCG

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